

## INTERESTING EVENTS IN THE LOCAL SOCIAL WORLD

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### Dinner Party

Miss Mary Francis and Dan Francis entertained last Friday with a delightful six o'clock dinner party, their guests being Lillo Perrin and Claude Polson, of Williams, and Miss Virginia Lockett and Rile Lockett, who have recently returned from the southern part of the state, where they have spent the winter. After dinner, the young people formed a party at the baseball dance which took place at Marlar's Hall.

### Visiting at Fort Valley

Miss Margaret Wilson, at the Fort Valley experiment station, has been enjoying a visit from the Misses Katherine and Marie Kroehulce, of San Francisco. The young ladies have been visiting in Albuquerque and they stopped off to visit Miss Wilson on their way home.

### From Phoenix

Mrs. Ada Stewart Carson and little son, Billy, arrived from Phoenix on Tuesday evening to spend the summer here. Mrs. Carson is a teacher in the public schools of Phoenix and will enroll for special work at the Normal summer school.

### Decoration Day Observed

Decoration Day was observed in an appropriate way on last Friday. In the morning a large crowd gathered at the Orpheum and were entertained with a very pleasing program. There was good music and splendid, and the floral decorations were beautiful.

A large number of citizens went to the cemetery to place flowers on the graves of fallen heroes.

In the afternoon the business houses closed their doors and the men were given an opportunity of seeing a splendid baseball game between Port Whipple and Flagstaff, the score standing 11 to 10 in favor of Flagstaff.

### Back from University Of California

L. J. Arnold, who has been studying forestry at the University of California, has returned to the Fort valley experiment station where he will again resume his work.

### Visiting Her Daughter

Mrs. Hattie Funston, of Turlock, Calif., who has been spending the winter with a daughter, Mrs. G. A. Webster, of Prescott, has arrived in Flagstaff and is enjoying a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Edgar Hash and Mrs. Fred Hernandez.

### Visits the Peaks

Miss Gracia Saunders and Jack Fuss enjoyed a visit to the top of San Francisco Peaks on last Sunday. Mr. Fuss has formerly been connected with the work at Fort Valley experiment station, but is now doing interior decorating and has accepted the position as interior decorator of the normal buildings.

### Popular Visitor Departs

Miss Beas Rogers, who has been a house guest of Mrs. Tom Manning, left the first of the week for her home in Cananea.

### Visited Mormon Lake

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Raudebough and Miss Lenora Francis and Dr. Dumas motored out to Mormon Lake last Sunday and enjoyed the day fishing.

### Returns from Phoenix

Mrs. Nellie Woodson, who has been visiting her sister in Phoenix, returned to the city Tuesday evening. Mrs. Woodson has charge of Campbell Hall during the summer vacation period.

### Rebekah Lodge to Give Play

The Rebekah Lodge will have its regular meeting next Thursday night. After the business is disposed of the members will give a play the proceeds of which will go to the home fund. An invitation has been sent to the Williams Lodge, and all members of the local lodge and visiting members are requested to be present. Members are also given the privilege of inviting friends.

### Eastern Star to Meet

The Eastern Star will hold its regular meeting next Tuesday night, June 10. There will be an initiation and all members are requested to be present.

### Going to New York

Mrs. G. E. Cornelius will leave soon for New York, where she will visit relatives of Mr. Cornelius.

### Dinner Guests

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Gassman had as their dinner guests on Wednesday evening, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Wheat.

### Rev. O. S. Baum Expected Home by July 1

Friends of Rev. O. S. Baum will be pleased to hear that his health is improving rapidly and that he, together with Mrs. Baum, expect to be back in Flagstaff by the 1st of July.

### On Fishing Trip

Chet Black and C. A. Kellar have been enjoying a fishing trip down at Oak Creek the past week.

### At the Federated Church

Next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock will be Children's Day at the Federated church. The entire hour will be given over to exercises by the children. One very attractive number on the program will be a Rainbow Drill which is being directed by Mrs. Piner and Mrs. R. E. Marsh.

### Missionary Society To Meet

The Missionary Society of the Federated Church will meet with Mrs. Mayflower next Thursday afternoon, June 12. Mrs. S. S. Acker will be the leader for the afternoon and the subject will be "Alaska."

### Vacation Visit

The Misses Mary, Barbara, and Louise Rickel left the first of the week for California. They expect to spend part of their summer vacation on the coast.

### Lieut. Matthews Expected In Flagstaff Soon

Friends of Lieutenant John S. Matthews will be glad to know that he is expected in Flagstaff very soon. He has been visiting at his wife's former home in Concordia, Kansas, since receiving his discharge the latter part of May. Mrs. Matthews is well remembered here as she taught the third grade in the public school two years ago; she was then Miss Elsie Jordan. It is expected that Mrs. Matthews will return to Flagstaff with her husband.

### "In the Palace of the Queen"

An unusually large crowd of Flagstaff citizens witnessed the play "In the Palace of the Queen," which was presented at the Orpheum theater on Tuesday night.

The play was given by the Royal Neighbors of America and all those taking part were home people, numbering in all about sixty. -Mme. Vesta Dodge Hartzell directed the play.

Mrs. Agnes Pouthie and Francis D. Crable as "Queen Isabella" and "King Ferdinand," carried their parts well. The musical numbers, dances, and drills were all good, and the costumes and decorations were attractive.

While all the numbers won merited applause, especial appreciation was

### MARSHAL MELICK KILLED; MURDERER IN JAIL HERE

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the other men at Toret's shack, coming back in a car. As he approached he hailed them, "Want to ride?"

"No. We'll walk on over," replied Hamilton.

As they got in front of the White Garage Hamilton suggested he go inside and telephone the man whom Toret said had given him permission to pick a horse out of a certain bunch, his claim being that that was the manner in which he got hold of Mrs. Means' horse. But the gun held ready for business in Toret's pocket prevented. As they got in front of Duffy's store Hamilton managed to whisper to Paddock, who had gotten from his car and joined them:

"This fellow has me disarmed; drop behind."

Paddock whispered that he would slip off and get his rifle. Hamilton managed to get a little behind Toret and saying, "You go on up to Mrs. Means," turned and dodged around the corner of Duffy's store, continuing on home to get another gun. The first thing he found was an automatic shot gun which he discarded in favor of a 30-30 rifle.

Toret by this time had reached the Means place and Melick got there about the same time, knowing nothing of Toret being armed or of any of the events that had taken place, except that Toret was wanted for stealing a horse.

"You are under arrest," was Melick's greeting.

"What for? I haven't done anything," Toret answered, and turning to Mrs. Means, he asked, "What's all the fuss about? Why did you have me arrested?"

"I didn't have you arrested," replied Mrs. Means, at which Toret repeated his question.

As the discussion went on, Toret, evidently gave some reason for thinking that he was ready to go; but Mr. Melick told him not to go away.

"I want to go eat my supper," said Toret.

Melick told him to wait awhile; but Toret insisted upon going.

Then Vic Melick spoke the last words of his life, little thinking that death was less than five minutes off. "I haven't had my supper yet; and you can wait as well as I can."

Toret had been gradually edging away from Melick as they talked and as he spoke, pulled his gun and from a distance of not over ten feet fired three shots into the stomach of the officer. The three shots, from an automatic, were fired in a second.

Then Vic Melick, man and gentleman, with three bullets in him, any one of which would have caused his death, proved that the West still breeds men who die without a whimper, and, facing death, think only of the job on hand. Without a cry or moan of any kind, still standing, and without saying a word, he drew his gun, fired three times at the dodging figure before him, and slowly sank to the ground. He was dead within about 5 minutes.

Pete Shafer, town marshal, who had arrived by this time, drew his gun, but it would not work. Toret pointed his gun at White once, but did not fire; then he ran behind an auto standing near.

The citizens of the town then began to gather and arm themselves. Toret was seen by several persons in different parts of town hiding and dodging. Every known kind of weapon in all kinds of hands were soon seen everywhere. Not just one or two; but a number of women and youngsters who were really children, were on the streets with guns. The hunt for the murderer was on.

Word came from some unknown source to the officials here in Flagstaff. Then Sheriff Jack Harrington, Undersheriff Bill Hicklin, County Attorney F. M. Gold, and Assistant County Attorney George Harben got hold of Bill Conley and the new car of the Red Star auto line, and rushed to Williams, going faster than 50 miles an hour over some road that ordinarily holds you down to twenty. The party made one stop at Bellemont in an effort to telephone; but could not get their party.

As they neared Williams the citizens had just located Toret in a house a half block from the jail, and things were moving fast toward a swift ending of the murderer's life. Had the officials from this city been 10 minutes later, or had they shown any hesitation or less quick judgment and action than they did, he would never have been brought to Flagstaff. It took not over twenty-five minutes for the officials to get to the house, get Toret out, get him to the jail, let doctors examine

given little Wellington Francis when he sang in his sweet soprano voice "Eliza Jane." The song by Elizabeth and Louise Davis, who represented city newbies, also won much favor.

Considering the short time that was taken to stage the play it was a splendid success.

him, get him through the crowd into the car, and leave town.

Calls from the crowd to Toret to come out and surrender were unanswered, and soon the crowd was firing at the shack promiscuously. It was later found that Toret answered the fire through the walls; but in the noise outside his shots were not heard. Firing continued for about five minutes, when Bill Hicklin caught sight of Toret, just a glimpse of a shoulder and arm, and rushed into the house, through one vacant room and into the next room, where he found Toret on his knees, hands in air, crying repeatedly, "For God's sake don't shoot me, help me!"

Hicklin later said that he thought maybe the "hombre" was figuring on coming out of the door with his hands up and that if he did he knew he would be killed the instant the crowd got sight of him.

Toret was severely wounded under the left shoulder blade, and while it is not known who shot him, a stranger standing by the side of Sheriff Harrington after he had fired a careful "I think I got him that time."

Toret was taken from the house into the Williams jail, where his wound was examined by local doctors. Sheriff Harrington's quickly conceived plan to let the crowd think Toret had been killed was successful. The car was backed up to the door of the jail and the murderer brought out and unceremoniously thrown into the back seat. The crowd asked where they were going to take him and they were told—

"Flagstaff."

In a distance of just a few feet from the jail door to the automobile, some twenty-five people crowded in and administered kicks to the criminal. One man drew a gun and was in the act of shooting, when Hicklin said:

"Don't shoot him; he's dead," and the man put his gun up.

When they had him in the car, its

four sides were guarded by E. M. Gold, Bill Conley, Bill Hicklin, and Special Deputy Sheriff Ort, of Williams, while Sheriff Harrington argued with the crowd at the jail. But no time was lost and the men, after showing some of the crowd the nasty looking wound in Toret's side, to increase the idea of his death, jumped in and hit her up for Flagstaff. They kept a sharp look out for lights on the road behind, and planned to turn off all their own lights and take to the woods with the car in case they were followed.

Toret has shown considerable improvement since reaching Flagstaff and is able to take a few steps around his cell. His father and brother have visited him and his mother is staying in the cell with him to nurse him. Toret had a sister in Seligman who committed suicide about a month ago.

An inquest under Coroner Button, of Williams, was held the same night, and their verdict was that Melick came to his death at the hands of Simplicio Toret.

### ARIZONA EDITOR IS TO ANSWER TO LIBEL

PHOENIX, June 3.—J. O. Dunbar, pioneer editor and owner of Dunbar's Weekly, a Phoenix publication, will be arraigned Friday on a charge of criminal libel preferred by P. R. Milnes, secretary to Governor Campbell. In last week's issue of Dunbar's Weekly an article stated that Milnes and Game Warden Joe V. Prochaska "are a nice pair of degenerates." Dunbar was indicted by a federal grand jury recently for alleged obstruction to the Fourth Liberty loan in criticism of the motives of the Arizona managers. Milnes is defendant in an action for heavy damages brought by Assistant Attorney General Whitney. This suit includes also the Prescott Journal Miner and most of the Prescott bar. Prochaska states he also will complain.

### DONATIONS ASKED FOR ORPHANS AT TUCSON

A few weeks ago a thousand babies and young children in care of nurses, left New York City for the Middle West, where they were to be placed in good homes for adoption. They had all been made orphans by the epidemic of influenza. There are only a small part of the enormous number of such cases throughout our country. At the Children's Home in Tucson in the month of January two families of young children, a Mexican family of four, and an American family of five whose mother's death followed that of the father, a miner, within three days, arrived to be taken tender care of.

So we see that we have the problem close to us, right here in Arizona. It is under the care of the Arizona Children's Home Association, the directors of which are women from different towns in the state. All children, regardless of race or religion, are taken in and cared for. All those of school age attend the public school. Efforts are made to find good homes for the orphans. The management will be very glad of gifts of money, clothing, canned and fresh fruit. And welcome all friends who may be visiting in Tucson, to come and go through the home.

### SEVEN GALLON-PER-DAY DISTILLERY IS RAIDED

Seven gallons per day of "180-proof" whiskey was the capacity of a distillery raided last week in the river bottoms near Tempe by a force of deputies from the sheriff's office, according to their statement after the raid. George Daniel was arrested on a charge of operating the still.

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